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SEC. 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

#### ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 302.

[Passed the assembly, January 27, 1905.—Passed the senate, February 24, 1905.]

An act to amend the Penal Code of the State of California, by adding a new section thereto, to be numbered section 377a, making it a misdemeanor to violate or refuse or neglect to conform to the rules, orders, and regulations of the State board of health respecting the quarantine, disinfection, or isolation of persons, animals, things, or places, or the prevention or abatement of contagious or infectious diseases.

The people of the State of California, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. A new section to be numbered section 377a is hereby added to the Penal Code of the State of California to read as follows:

377a. Every person who after notice shall violate or who, upon the demand of any public health officer, shall refuse or neglect to conform to any rule, order, or regulation prescribed by the State board of health respecting the quarantine or disinfection of persons, animals, things, or places shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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Extract from Penal Code relative to violation of quarantine.

[Section 376, Penal Code. Enacted February 14, 1872; amended 1878 and 1905.]

376. VIOLATION OF QUARANTINE LAWS BY MASTERS OF VESSELS.— Every master of a vessel subject to quarantine or visitation by the quarantine officer arriving in the port of San Francisco who refuses or omits—

1. To proceed with and anchor his vessel at the place assigned for

quarantine at the time of his arrival; or,

2. To submit his vessel, cargo, and passengers to the examination of the quarantine officer, and to furnish all necessary information to enable that officer to determine to what length of quarantine and other

regulations they ought, respectively, to be subject; or,

3. To remain with his vessel at the quarantine during the period assigned for her quarantine, and while at quarantine to comply with the regulations prescribed by law, and with such as any of the officers of health, by virtue of authority given them by law, shall prescribe in relation to his vessel, his cargo, himself, his passengers, or crew, is punishable by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one year, or by fine not exceeding two thousand dollars, or both.

Extract from assembly bill No. 339, relative to duties of State board of health in regard to vital statistics and to quarantine and disinfection.

It [the State board of health] shall maintain a bureau of vital statistics under the supervision of its executive officer, where shall be collected and recorded all births, marriages, and deaths, burials and cremations within the State. These statistics, together with the num-

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ber of cases of communicable diseases, and such further comparative statistics and information as may be deemed of value to scientists, the medical profession, the general public, and aid in the maintenance of good health conditions, may be published by the board in such manner and at such times as it may deem proper.

It shall have general power of inspection, examination, quarantine, and disinfection within the State, provided that this act shall in no wise conflict with the enforcement of the national quarantine laws.

Note.—This bill was introduced January 12, 1905, and amended January 30 and February 3, 1905.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Cerebro-spinal meningitis at Baltimore, Md.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Gwyn reports, March 22, as follows: Two cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis, of the epidemic form, are reported in Baltimore.

Cerebro-spinal meningitis at Philadelphia, Pa.

Surgeon Irwin reports, March 20, as follows:

A few cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis have been reported in Philadelphia during the past week. There has been a total of 28 cases of the disease reported since the first of last January.

### INSPECTION SERVICE, MEXICAN BORDER.

Inspection at Eagle Pass, Tex.

### Acting Assistant Surgeon Hume reports as follows:

	Week ended Mar. 18, 1905.
Persons inspected on trains	137 4, 195

## Inspection at El Paso, Tex.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Alexander reports as follows:

Week ended March 18, 1905: Inspection Mexican Central passengers, 294; inspection Mexican Central immigrants, 65; inspection Pullman passengers (private) 27; disinfection blankets, bedding, clothing, etc.—articles known to come from house where smallpox existed lately; disinfection soiled linen reimported for laundry work, 417 pieces; vaccination of grown immigrants, 3.

Inspection at Laredo, Tex.—Mortuary report, New Laredo, February, 1905.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hamilton reports, March 18 and 19, through Acting Assistant Surgeon Frick, as follows:

Week ended March 18, 1905. Number of passenger trains from